## State Of South Bakota

## Office Of The Governor

On July 13, 1982, Randy Glest, complaining of a headache and being tired of tubing on Iron Creek Lake, decided to swim for shore. He didn't make it. About fifty feet from shore, in eight feet of water, he went down and did not come up.

Chad Thorman, 12, quickly perceived something was wrong and began diving for the missing man. It took repeated dives, but he found Randy at the bottom of the lake. Chad recognized that Randy was too big for him to move alone, so he surfaced and called for help.

Once the alarm was spread, there was plenty of help. The rescue was completed, CPR begun, and Randy was transported to the hospital to begin his road to recovery.

Chad exhibited both presence of mind and a clear understanding of the necessity for immediate action when he dove into the water to look for Randy. His quick thinking and strong swimming proved to be the crucial difference between life and death for another human being. His lifesaving endeavor on that July day sets an example for all South Dakotans to respect and emulate.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the valor of

## CHAD THORMAN

and I join Chad's family and friends in saluting him for showing us what we have always known about the selfless courage of our young people.

ALICE KUNDERT, SECRETARY OF STATE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Third Day of September, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Three

WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, GOVERNOR